GOVERNMENT PAYS TO TICKLE VANITY

Authors' Desire for Name in Print Makes Expense.

CHANGE TITLE PAGES OFTEN

Ricketts Tells of Petty Annoyances and Extravagance Enforced Upon Printing Office.

The vanities and weaknesses of authors of Government publications were the principal features brought out today in the examination of Oscar J. Ricketts, Acting Public Printer, by Chairman Landis, of the subcommittee now in-vestigating the affairs and administration of the Government Printing Office.
Ricketts explained that the printery is put to much unnecessary expense by these fastidious authors, who have such things as the title pages of publica-tions changed twelve or fourteen times in order to show up in "proper style" their names as the writers of the pub-

Bindery Costly.

Ricketts said there are 1,400 people employed at the printery in bookbinding ne. In a great many cases, he said, the Government is at greater expense in binding books than private institutions

"We pay higher wages," said the wit-"We pay higher wages," said the wit-ness. "For one thing, the boys get thirty days annual leave, all legal holidays, and cations. half-holiday on Saturday in the sum-

Ricketts explained that there are sev-

Fat Patent Works.

He then put before the committee as an exhibit a volume of "Specifications and Drawings of Patents." It contained over 4,000 pages. This, he said, was only part I of the specifications for one month, as each month the record has to be printed in two parts, making over \$,000 bor as responsible for copy not good in pages. One part weighs fifteen pounds.

He gave figures, showing that 6,640 of guilty, too, he thought. these volumes are printed every year.

EVERYBODY

Powers Will Propose Alternative to Sultan

Must Either Submit to Settlement of Macedonian Finances or Be Subject to Coercion-Collective Audience Demanded.

constantinople. Oct. 27.—Owing to the uncompromising attitude assumated by the porte on the question of international control of Macedonian finances, the French representative here and the ambassadors of the five other great powers interested in the subject, have requested a collective audience of the powers to move the Sultan, it is expected that coercive measures will be taken to force Turkey to agree to the sultan, when they will jointly make national control of Macedonian finances, the French representative here and the ambassadors of the five other great powers interested in the subject, have Sultan, when they will jointly make scheme.

Ricketts agreed with Chairman Landis proofs, and the authors do not give Ricketts agreed with Chairman Lands that the book could be printed more conomically by making its type smaller and putting three instead of two columns to each page. He explained that these specifications are valuable to lawyers and libraries.

"Tage many copies of the Blue Book type the somewhat fastidous taste of the secondary to the s

times.

"Too many copies of the Blue Book are printed." continued Ricketts, "as many as 3,039. This is the most expensive publication put out by the Govern- printed?

ment.

"Not long ago, on the approval of the Public Printer, 6,000 copies of it were destroyed, the backs torn off and the contents sold as waste paper. This had to be done because there was no call for these 6,000."

Advertise Themselves.

Mr. Ricketts here asked the commit tee if it thought Government officials should be allowed to exploit themselves

Chairman Landis said he thought this as a rule, not a good thing. He added he knew that some officials' ecstacy eral branch printing offices in the Gov- existed in proportion to the size of the

existed in printing offices in the Government departments over which the Government Printing Office has no supervision whatever.

"Do you consider this in the interest of economy?" asked Chairman Landis. "Certainly not," answered Mr. Rickster such expense was about 20 per cent of the cost of the regular printing.

Copy Is Bad. This, he said, can be remedied only by heads of departments making their subordinates turn in good and finished

copy in the first instance.

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MILLION FOR SHIP REPAIRS.

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Vain Authors Nuisance. "Sometimes," assented Mr. Ricketts,

"they want, and do have, these title

pages changed twelve or fourteen

"I beg to be excused from answering

Adjournment was here taken until the

"Who are these fastidious

teurs?" asked Mr. Perkins.

that," laughed Mr. Ricketts.

afternoon session.



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